

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE REQUESTED FILING OF RULE 1.53(B)
CONTINUATION PATENT APPLICATION BASED ON
THE FOLLOWING PENDING PRIOR PATENT APPLICATION:

In re Application of: Eugene Marlowe Goble et al.
Serial No.: 09/634,162
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Title: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR RECONSTRUCTING
A LIGAMENT
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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 1, line 4 please amend the paragraph as follows:

-- This patent application is a continuation of pending prior U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/634,162 filed 08/09/2000 by Eugene Marlowe Goble et al. for APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR RECONSTRUCTING A LIGAMENT, which in turn claims benefit of pending prior U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/148,005, filed August 10, 1999 by Eugene Marlowe Goble for METHOD OF DELIVERING AN ACL GRAFT, which patent application is hereby incorporated herein by reference.--

Remarks

As noted in the accompanying REQUEST FOR FILING RULE 1.53(B) CONTINUATION APPLICATION, this is a continuation of pending prior U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/634,162 filed 08/09/2000 by

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The above amendment is intended to make this fact of record in the specification of this continuation application.

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